

REMARKS

Applicant requests entry of the above-referenced amendments to the claims. Specifically, Applicant requests amendment to claims 4-7, 13, 16-18, 21, 24, 28, 32, 34-35, and 40. The amendments to the claims are made to correct minor typographical errors and not in response to any rejection or cited art from the Examiner. Accordingly, claims 1-29 and 21-40 are currently pending with claims 1, 7, 14, 15, 19, 21, 28, 29, and 30 being independent claims.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, in view of the above amendment and remarks it is submitted that the claims are patentably distinct over the prior art and that all the rejections to the claims have been overcome. Reconsideration and reexamination of the above Application is requested. Based on the foregoing, Applicants respectfully requests that the pending claims be allowed, and that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If the Examiner believes, after this amendment, that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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